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QUOTE

C O N F I D E N T I A L MANILA 904

E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MARR, RP

SUBJECT: AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY, PHILIPPINES

REF: (A) STATE 004866 (B) HQ DMA MSG TO JMAG, RP DTG 111531Z JAN 77  
(NOTAL); (C) JMAG, RP MSG TO DMA DTG 130541Z DEC 76 (NOTAL).

1. WE HAVE REVIEWED THE 1956 MUTUAL MAPPING ASSISTANCE  
AGREEMENT AND THE PRESENTLY PROPOSED NEW AMENDMENT TO THAT  
AGREEMENT AND BELIEVE THE WORDING PROPOSED BY GOP DFA  
CONCERNING THE RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES UNDER THE MBA OF 1947,  
AS AMENDED, IS SATISFACTORY. (REF C) NEVERTHELESS, IT MAY  
BE APPROPRIATE TO MAKE REFERENCE TO ARTICLE IX, US/RP MBA  
OF 1947, AS AMENDED, AS THE BASIC AUTHORITY FOR THE MAPPING  
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AGREEMENT. THIS COULD BE DONE IN THE OPENING PARAGRAPH OF  
THE NEW AMENDMENT. THIS WOULD DISPEL ANY QUESTION THAT  
MAPPING AGREEMENT DOES NOT FALL WITHIN THE OVERALL PROVISIONS  
OF THE MBA. IT WOULD ALSO PROVIDE A CONCRETE EXAMPLE TO  
JUSTIFY SURVEY LANGUAGE IN ANY NEW MILITARY BASES AGREEMENT  
BY SHOWING WHAT THE MUTUAL BENEFIT CAN BE OBTAINED BY SUCH  
PROVISIONS. REF B INDICATES THAT ENTIRE TEXT OF

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING IS BEING COORDINATED BY OSD/ISA WITH DEPARTMENT OF STATE. WE WOULD PREFER TO RESERVE FURTHER COMMENT ON THE TEXT UNTIL WE HAVE OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW PRECISE WORDING AGREED BETWEEN STATE AND OSD/ISA.

2. WE HAVE NO OBJECTION IN PRINCIPLE TO PROCEEDING WITH MAPPING AGREEMENT AT THIS TIME BUT BELIEVE THAT ANSWERS TO FOLLOWING QUESTIONS WOULD HELP PLACE THE PROPOSED PROJECT IN BETTER PERSPECTIVE:

(1) WHAT WOULD BE THE ESTIMATED COST TO THE US OF THE MAPPING AGREEMENT?

(2) DOES DMA HAVE A CURRENT NEED FOR UPDATED MAPS OR IS THE NEW AGREEMENT LIKELY TO BE OF PRIMARY BENEFIT TO GOP?

(3) WHEN WOULD MAPPING COMMENCE ASSUMING THE AGREEMENT IS ARRIVED AT IN NEXT FEW MONTHS? WHAT WOULD BE THE PROBABLY DURATION OF THE PROJECT?

(4) ARE PRIVATE PHILIPPINE MAPPING FIRMS QUALIFIED TO PERFORM PHOTOGRAPHIC SERVICES OF THE NATURE CONTEMPLATED BY PROPOSED AMENDMENT?  
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